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EXPLOSION KILLS MANY WORKMEN

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THE DEATH LIST MAY REACH 34

Men Had No Warning of Impending Disaster and Were Suddenly Enveloped in Molten Stream—Three Bodies, Horribly Mutilated, Recovered—Seven Fatally Injured in Hospital—Pitiful Scenes About the Mill Entrance.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 10.—One of the worst explosions in the history of the Jones & Laughlin Steel works occurred at the Eliza furnaces, when a large quantity of gas which had accumulated at the base of the furnaces became ignited and exploded. Tons of molten metal was showered around the furnace for a radius of 40 feet, flowing at some spots to a depth of four and five feet. Out of a force of 25 men employed at the furnace when the explosion occurred three of them, John Cramer, Andrew Featherka and Gustave Kessler, have been taken to the morgue, their bodies horribly mutilated by the fire. Seven men are in hospitals fatally injured, and 24 others have not been accounted for. While the mill officials are inclined to believe that all of the missing men were not cremated in the molten metal, nothing definite is known as to their present whereabouts. Only one man, George Knox, has turned up since the explosion, and Knox says everything happened so quick that he doubts whether the men escaped.

Chief Peter Snyder, of the Fourth fire district, was seriously injured while directing the firemen to extinguish the fire which followed the explosion. Snyder was stationed on a trestle 30 feet high, when he slipped and fell to the ground, injuring himself internally. The scenes about the entrance to the mill were pathetic when the families of the victims learned of the disaster. Women, men and children gathered before the gate and made frantic efforts to gain admittance. Several of the firemen rushed upon the officers and fought them, crying to be allowed to enter the mill and see their loved ones. Young children ran up and down the streets crying that their father was dead. Later it became necessary to call additional police to forcibly escort the women and children to their homes.

The officials at the mill refused to allow any one to enter the yard where the furnace is located. All information was refused to newspaper men, the officials saying that later they might issue a statement. A heavy guard of foreign workmen were placed at the yard entrance, and even the police were powerless to get past the foreigners.

Saved His Life By Running. George Knox, the only man believed to have escaped uninjured, said:

"It was awful. The furnace is one of the improved style and 35 of us were working about never thinking of an explosion. Suddenly there was a terrific roar and immediately I started to run. Molten metal was thrown every place. Streams of it were running in all directions and I was confronted with an awful death unless I could run faster than the metal could travel. Thank God, I reached a place of safety and not a minute too soon. I don't know what happened to the other men. I did not see any of them following the explosion. If they did not run quick and fast all are buried under six feet of molten metal."

Charles Bennett, a yard brakeman, who was passing near the furnace on a freight train when the explosion occurred, gave a graphic description of the disaster:

Saw Men Enveloped in Molten Metal. "Our train was right near the furnace," said Bennett. "When the metal poured out of the furnace over the ground I saw the men running for a place of safety. To the right of the furnace I saw a party of 10 men all of them running wildly and their clothes a mass of flames. Apparently some of them had been injured when the explosion occurred as they could hardly run and several of them tripped and fell. The hot metal ran over the poor men in a moment. Just at this time a second explosion occurred and I looked towards the furnace. In a minute I again looked to the right of the furnace for the men, but I could not see any of them and I believe all of them were burned to death. My train was in the path of the metal and I was compelled to uncouple the train and signal the engineer to pull ahead."

The Eliza furnaces are located in the Hazelwood district, between Second avenue and the Monongahela river. The district is a populous one, and the loud report notified people for miles around of the explosion. In a few minutes the mill was surrounded by hundreds of excited persons, many of them trying to force their way into the works past the police and employees.

A collision between a horse carriage and a street car added greatly to the excitement. The fire apparatus was partially destroyed and one horse instantly killed. Two firemen were thrown to the street and sustained slight injuries. The crash of the car windows caused the passengers to rush pell mell for the door. Several women were thrown to the car door and were trampled on.

A panic was narrowly averted among the large crowd which gathered about the mill. While the crowds were discussing the probable cause of the explosion the heavens were suddenly made brilliant by a blast in another furnace. Immediately there was a rush for safety. In a moment, however, everything became dark again and the frightened people returned.

The firemen worked hard to save parts of the large mill, which had been set afire by the hot metal, while around them live electric wires were being and it was some time before they were apprised of the danger. Chief Snyder, who was probably fatally injured, is one of the best known firemen in Western Pennsylvania. About two months ago he was badly injured at a fire and had been back on duty only a few days.

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Pursuant to a decree of the Circuit Court of Spotsylvania county, Virginia, entered the 10th day of 1906, in the chancery cause of Brumley vs. Brumley and others, the undersigned Special Commissioner will offer for sale before the auction house of James R. Smith in Fredericksburg, Virginia, at twelve o'clock noon, on

Saturday, Feb. 2, 1907,

that certain tract of land in Spotsylvania county, Virginia, of which Anne E. Brumley, deceased, died seized and possessed, containing 140 acres, more or less, situated in Livingston township, Spotsylvania county, Virginia, known as "Bonglas," and situated on the road from Good Hope Church to Lacy's Mill, known as the Mine road, adjoining the lands of Hudgins, Vass and others, being the same land acquired by the said Anne E. Brumley, deceased, from her father, John Hailey, any information in reference to which will be cheerfully furnished by either of the undersigned.

Terms of Sale—One-third cash, the balance in two equal annual installments payable in one and two years time from the date of sale, the deferred payments evidenced by purchaser's bond and secured by deed of trust, or title reserved, or all cash at option of the purchaser.

Levi J. Graves, Special Commissioner. In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Spotsylvania, Virginia, this 2nd day of January, 1907.

Sheriff's Sale.

Pursuant to an order entered of the Circuit Court of Stafford County, Va., in vacation, on Dec. 18th, 1906, in the case of Masters vs. Girard, and upon the petition of E. Hilton Jackson, trustee in bankruptcy, the undersigned will, near Widewater, on the land of D. M. Lee, in Stafford county, at 11 o'clock A. M., on

Thursday, Jan. 31, 1907,

sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following property, to-wit:

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N. H.—Following schedule figures published as information, and are not guaranteed. Schedule effective Sept. 9th, 1906.

Trains leave Washington for Pennsylvania Station.

5:30 a. m. Daily—Local for Harrisburg, Warrenton, Danville, and way stations.

10:15 a. m. Daily—United States Fast Mail, first-class coaches and drawing-room, sleeper to New Orleans. Dining-car service.

11:15 a. m. Daily—United States Fast Mail, first-class coaches and drawing-room, sleeper to New Orleans. Dining-car service.

1:00 p. m. Daily—New York and Florida Express, first-class coach and sleepers to Columbia, Ga., Montgomery, Wetmore, 771 days, Sunday Express, sleeper, Washington to San Francisco.

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WORK NOT DUPLICATED

Penna. Auditor General Explains Cost of \$13,000,000 Capitol.

WERE NO DUPLICATED PAYMENTS

Declares Records of His Office Show No Overlapping of Charges—Doesn't Know Where Payne & Co.'s Work Ended.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 10.—In answer to Attorney General Carson, Auditor General Snyder states that the records in his possession fail to substantiate the allegations of overlapping or duplicated payments on work done in the construction or decoration of the new state capitol. That due allowance was made where work was originally specified under the contracts made by the capitol building commission and paid for. General Snyder says that while his office records do not show where the exact line of demarcation between the work done under authority of the building commission and the board of public grounds and buildings, he has a letter from Architect Huston containing this information.

The auditor general sent to Attorney General Carson a voluminous response to the attorney general's latest letter of inquiry as to matters connected with the construction and equipment of the capitol. The reply is accompanied by a statement showing in minute detail all the expenditures on the capitol, setting forth all details and amplifying the statement issued several months ago by Governor Pennington and Auditor General Snyder. Major members of the board of public grounds and buildings, in which the totals for the various general items of expenditure were given, the grand total including expenditures of the Hastings administration, being \$13,590,801.91.

This shows that the furnishings and trimmings cost \$3,179,242.06, of which \$876,066.40 was for furniture and chairs. The balances still due are: To John H. Sanderson, \$108,879.73; to George F. Payne & Co. for parquetry flooring, \$106,200; to Edwin A. Abbey, the artist, \$207,887.50; and to Joseph M. Huston, architect and designer, for fees, \$104,354.42.

The auditor general gives details of omissions from the contracts and allowances made therefor, including the much-talked-of pine floor and glass mosaic bands in the rotunda. He gives a letter from Architect Huston regarding contracts and denies any payments showing overlapping, concluding:

"The payments made by the capitol building commission were in a lump and paid on account of the contract by the treasurer of the commission when ordered to do so by the capitol building commission and upon the certificates of the architect, certifying that 'Payne & Co. were entitled to such sums on account of the contract.'"

WILL PROBE SENATOR BAILEY

Resolution in Texas Legislature to Investigate Charges Against Him.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 10.—A resolution providing for a sweeping investigation of the conduct of United States Senator J. W. Bailey was introduced in the state legislature. It is signed by 28 members of the legislature. Senator Bailey's term expires on March 4.

In the preliminary election of last July Senator Bailey was endorsed for senator by almost the unanimous vote of the people. Since that time it is charged that evidence has been obtained which, it is said, shows that he has received large sums of money in loans and fees from the Waters-Pierce Oil company, the Kirby Lumber company, the Security Oil company and personally from H. C. Pierce, of the Waters-Pierce Oil company.

TIME LIMIT EXTENDED

\$12,000,000 Deposits to Be Returned to U. S. Treasury By February 15. Washington, Jan. 10.—The secretary of the treasury will immediately notify the depository banks with which temporary deposits of about \$12,000,000 were recently placed to be returned on January 20 and February 1, that the dates for the return of the deposits have been extended so as to require the funds to be repaid to the treasury, one-half on February 1 and one-half on February 15.

It is stated at the treasury department in explanation of this change in date that there is no particular need for the money at this time, and it is expected further that the return of money to the financial centers by the date stated will have resulted in easier money conditions.

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Steamers will leave Baltimore, Md., weather permitting, from pier No. 2, Light Street Wharf, as follows:

Sundays, 2:00 p. m., for North End, Mill Creek, White Stone, Irvington, Weems, Burlingame, Thurston, Monks, Water View, Wheaton, Sharp's and Tappahannock.

Monday, 4:30 p. m., for North End, Mill Creek, White Stone, Mill Creek, Morant, Otoman, Merry Point, Burlingame, Thurston, Monks, Water View, Wheaton, Sharp's and Tappahannock.

Tuesday, 4:30 p. m., for Westland, North End, Mill Creek, Irvington, Weems, Mill Creek, Burlingame, Thurston, Monks, Water View, Wheaton, Sharp's and Tappahannock.

Wednesday, 4:30 p. m., for North End, Mill Creek, White Stone, Burlingame, Monks, Water View, Wheaton, Sharp's and Tappahannock.

Thursday, 4:30 p. m., for North End, Mill Creek, White Stone, Burlingame, Monks, Water View, Wheaton, Sharp's and Tappahannock.

Friday, 4:30 p. m., for Westland, North End, Mill Creek, White Stone, Irvington, Weems, Mill Creek, Burlingame, Thurston, Monks, Water View, Wheaton, Sharp's and Tappahannock.

Saturday, 4:30 p. m., for Westland, North End, Mill Creek, White Stone, Irvington, Weems, Mill Creek, Burlingame, Thurston, Monks, Water View, Wheaton, Sharp's and Tappahannock.

Steamers will leave Fredericksburg, Va., tide and weather permitting, as follows:

Monday and Friday, 2:00 p. m., for Ratcliffe's, Hop Yard, Haymont, Port Conway, Port Royal, Greenlaw's, W. S. Saunders, Leadstone, 4:00 a. m., Tuesday and Saturday: Layton's, Carter's, Blandford, Naylor's, Tappahannock (7:30 a. m.) Wellford's, Ware, Bowler's, Sharp's, Bay Port, Wheaton, Water View, Monks, Burlingame, Thurston, Monks, Water View, Wheaton, Sharp's and Tappahannock.

Will leave Bowler's Wednesday, 9:30 a. m., for Sharp's, Wheaton, Water View, Monks, Burlingame, Thurston, Monks, Water View, Wheaton, Sharp's and Tappahannock.

Will leave Fredericksburg, Va., tide and weather permitting, for Baltimore, Md., Dec. 18, 1906.

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